The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I HAVE EDITED THE SUGGESTED LETTER AS FOLLOWS:

I URGE YOU TO REJECT a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable, ESPECIALLY TO SENIOR CITIZENS on a fixed income.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. THIS IS UNFAIR.

I received my phone for Christmas because my family is concerned for my safety when I travel around town, and I use my wireless phone mostly for safety and security. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

PLEASE KEEP THE USF FAIR!

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